

Robert Shales, *Appellant.*

Charles Shales, *Respondent.*

The Appellant's CASE.

In 1685. **T**HE Appellant's Father, *John Shales Esq.* agreed with *Benjamin Barbeck*, and *William Cook*, and others, for the Purchase of several Copy-Hold Messuages and Lands, in or near *Hounslow*, in the County of *Middlesex*, held of the Mannor of *Syon*, alias *Iffeworth Syon*, for which he was to pay above 600 l.

Not thinking it convenient to make the Purchase in his own Name, the Premises were Surrendered to his Eldest Son *John*, in Trust for the Father and his Heirs; and the Father paid the Purchase-Money, and the Fees and Charges of the Surrender and Admission, and was in Possession of the said Estate, and the Rents and Profits thereof, were from time to time, Received by, or Accounted for to him.

John Died in the Life-time of his Father, without Issue; and the Messuages and Lands in Question, being Bourrough *English*, did, by the Custom of the Mannor, descend to the Respondent his younger Brother of the whole Blood; who was admitted thereto, and became Seiz'd thereof, in Trust for the Father and his Heirs, and the Father, to the time of his Death, Receiv'd the Profits thereof.

In 1693. The Father Died, and the Appellant, as his Heir by the Custom of the Mannor, he being the Youngest Son of the last Wife, (in whose Life-time and out of whose Fortune the Premises were Purchased) became Entitled to the Premises, and ought to have Received the Rents and Profits thereof from the Death of his Father.

Bill in Michaelmas Term, 1698. The Respondent refusing to permit the Appellant to have the Possession of the Premises, or to Account with him for the Rents and Profits, the Appellant, in Michaelmas Term, 1698, Exhibited his Bill in Chancery against the Respondent, to compel him to Account for the Rents and Profits from the Death of his Father, and to Surrender the Premises to the Appellant and his Heirs.

The Respondent, by his Answer, Confesseth, that the Purchase was made by the Father, but yet Denieth that he or his Brother was Seiz'd in Trust for the Father.

The Hearing, 24th. October 1701. The Cause being at Issue, and Witnesses Examined, and their Depositions Publish'd, it came on to be Heard before the Right Honourable the Lord Keeper, on Friday the 24th day of October last, who was pleased to Decree the Appellant's Bill to be Dismissed.

Which Decree, the Appellant Conceives to be Erroneous, for these Reasons;

- I. The Purchase-Money being the Father's, the Son in whose Name the Purchase was made, is in Equity a Trustee for the Father and his Heirs, and that in Regard the said Purchase was made out of the Moneys and Estate he Received by his last Wife, to whose Issue-Male the Premises ought to descend.
- II. The Father was always Reputed the Owner of the Estate, and generally Received the Rents and Profits, and altho' sometimes, being in Trouble, he permitted *John* the Son to Receive the Rents; yet those Rents were always Accounted for to the Father.
- III. The Repairs and Fences were always made at the Charges of the Father.
- IV. There is not any Conveyance or Release of the Father's Right to the Sons, or either of them.

The Objections made to the Appellant's Title at the Hearing of the Cause, and upon which the Decree seems to be Grounded, were;

1 Objection. That *John* the Son, made a Letter of Attorney to *Robert West*, and others, to Receive the Rents, and pay them to *John* the Son, which, say they, is an Evidence that *John* the Son had the Estate in his own Right.

Answer. To which it is Answer'd, That what *John* did, cannot Injure the Father, unless he were a Witness, and Privy, and Consenting to such Authority.

If the Father had been privy to such Letter of Attorney, it would not have been any Evidence of the Son's Right, because, as has been Observ'd, the Father being sometimes in Trouble, did permit his Son *John* to Receive the Rents, and Act in the Management of the Estate as the Owner thereof.

Robert West, to whom the Letter of Attorney was made, was Nominated by *John* the Father, but it was necessary the Authority for him to Receive the Rents, should proceed from the Son, he having the Legal Estate in him; and the Rents which were Received by *West*, were Accounted for to the Father.

2 Objection. That there are several Receipts for the Quit-Rents paid by *John* the Son.

Answer. This Admits of the same Answer, (viz.) That the Receipts of the Quit-Rents must mention the Money to be Received of *John* the Son, the Legal Estate being in him, for the Lord of the Mannor could take no Notice of any Body else as his Tenant.

Upon the whole Matter, 'tis humbly Hoped Your Lordships will be pleased to Reverse the Decree of the Court of Chancery, and Order the Respondent to Account for the Rents and Profits, and to Surrender the Estate to the Appellant.

Con. Phipps.